# BOROUGH OF WESTWOOD WORK MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL MARCH 30, 2010 MINUTES MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

## 101 Washington Avenue

7:30 PM Executive Closed Session/8:00 pm Work Session

# 1. Opening of the Meeting:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Birkner at 7:30 pm. Mayor Birkner then read the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting which conforms with the Open Public Meetings law, Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975, is a regular Borough Council meeting. Notices have been filed with our local official newspapers and posted on the municipal bulletin board."

Committee Assignments:

#### 2. Roll Call:

Mayor Birkner – Present

Councilmember Grefrath - Present Finance, Administration & Capital Projects

Councilmember Phayre - Present
Councilmember Quinn - Present
Councilmember Sciara - Present
Fire & Ambulance

Councilmember Waneck - Present

Council President Miller - Present

Police & OEM

Borough Mr. Hoffmann - Present

Borough Attorney Huntington - Present

Borough Clerk Hughes - Present

# 3. Executive Closed Session:

**RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Westwood shall convene in Executive Closed Session to discuss the following matters:

Personnel Matters

Pending/Potential Litigation

Attorney's Report

Said discussions are deemed legally confidential pursuant to NJSA 10:4-12(b)

- (7) Litigation or contract negotiation, attorney/client
- (8) Employment matters

The Clerk is directed to keep separate minutes of the meeting which shall be made public once that matter has been resolved.

Motion to enter Closed Session with the intention to reconvene in Open Session: Council President Miller Second: Councilmember Quinn

Roll Call: Councilmember Grefrath - Yes

Councilmember Phayre - Yes

Councilmember Quinn - Yes

Councilmember Sciara – Yes

Councilmember Waneck - Yes

Council President Miller - Yes

# 4. Reopen the Meeting:

Motion to reopen the meeting: Council President Miller

Second: Councilmember Quinn

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

The time was 8:15 pm.

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#### 5. Roll Call II:

Mayor Birkner – Present

Councilmember Grefrath - Present

Councilmember Phayre - Present

Councilmember Quinn – Present

Councilmember Sciara - Present

Councilmember Waneck - Present

Council President Miller - Present

Borough Mr. Hoffmann - Present

Borough Attorney Huntington - Present

Borough Engineer Boswell - Present

Borough Clerk Hughes - Present

#### 6. Flag Salute

Mayor Birkner led those present in the salute to the flag.

# 7. Reports of Committees and Officials:

# A) Mayor's Report

#### 1) HUMC

Mayor Birkner reported that the HUMC executive staff has met with the Governor regarding the reopening of the hospital. The Governor stated that he had made a commitment to work towards the reopening of the hospital. A new Health Commissioner has been sworn in. HUMC has once again assured the Mayor that it is committed to the hospital reopening.

Councilmember Waneck commented that in the recent mailing done by HUMC, the postcard return was 5-6%, which was much higher than anticipated. Mayor Birkner said there is continued strong public support for the hospital.

#### 2) Westvale Park

Mayor Birkner advised that the Westvale Park project has gone out to bid, with a bid opening date of April 6. Dr. Boswell pointed out that the date had been changed to April 9, which he will explain under his report. Mayor Birkner stated the Borough has received the management agreement back with some changes to the format. There will need to be a new resolution to rescind the former agreement and adopt the new management agreement. Mr. Huntington explained that the changes do not affect the substance of the agreement. Mayor Birkner affirmed that the entire control of the facility is maintained by Westwood. Mr. Huntington agreed that Westwood maintains control and oversight, which is governed by Green Acres rules. Councilmember Waneck asked if there were any additional statutes that governed the oversight of the park. Mr. Huntington said they are enumerating them in the agreement.

Councilmember Quinn questioned how the barrier free grant could be applied to the Westvale bathrooms if the project is bid. Mr. Hoffmann said the barrier free grant cannot be

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applied because of the timing of the Westvale bid and the start date of the project, Mayor Birkner asked if the grant could be applied to other barrier free projects. Mr. Hoffmann said it could. Mr. Huntington said the grant would not be awarded for a project the Borough is doing anyway, since the purpose of a grant is to build something you wouldn't have otherwise built. Council President Miller asked how that plays against it being easy to get a grant once the project is ready to go. Dr. Boswell said that while it applies in local aid grants, for some grant the projects have to be shovel ready. Councilmember Quinn thought the grant couldn't be used for the structure, just for the internal pieces which were not being bid. Mr. Huntington wondered whether there may be a way to restructure the grant application. Dr. Boswell speculated whether the bathrooms could be deleted at this time and built under a grant later. Mr. Hoffmann said that is what he asked, but it cannot.

Mr. Huntington asked if the Governing Body wished to add the resolution to approve the amended management agreement. The consensus was to add it to the consent agenda.

# 3) Train Crossings

Mayor Birkner reported on the train signalization meeting held on March 29<sup>th</sup> by officials from NJDOT, NJ Transit, Bergen County, Boswell Engineering and the Borough. The proposed short term solution would be prohibitively expensive to complete by the end of the year. The long term solution to revise the three intersections should be completed in early 2011. Boswell Engineering would require authorization to finalize design plans from the County. A relatively small easement will be required from one property owner, since the signal pole will be on Borough property instead of that private property. Mayor Birkner said the Borough may want to consider a parking reconfiguration since 4-5 spaces will be lost on Broadway, which he feels is more than worth it. Councilmember Waneck asked why plan A never worked. Councilmember Phayre said the plan was implemented and the lights changed, but then some of the agencies felt there was a risk with some of the gates. Mayor Birkner said additional configuration was required for safety. Councilmember Sciara commented that there is a very extensive plan to change all three intersections being proposed that shocked him. He believes the Council needs to review the plans.

Councilmember Waneck asked if it was a consensus or one agency that said the original plan wouldn't work. Councilmember Phayre said it was a safety person at NJ Transit, which Captain Durante confirmed. Councilmember Phayre noted that there were changes in agency department heads from meeting to meeting.

Councilmember Waneck said since Councilmember Sciara is reporting back that there are big changes, she wants to see the plans as well. She pointed out how even one change makes an impact. Councilmember Grefrath reminded everyone that the Borough made changes a few years ago in anticipation of this. Mayor Birkner recommended that Boswell Engineering be authorized to draft the final plans for the Governing Body to review and approve. Councilmember Waneck wants to see the preliminary plans. Dr. Boswell said they are conceptual, which are not as detailed as construction plans.

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Mr. Huntington observed that if the intersections are too wide, which is what the County wants to do, they become impassible for most pedestrians. Dr. Boswell said they are mostly adding queue space to help with the signalization. He noted that removing parking can affect business. Councilmember Phayre asked if countdown timers on crosswalks are required. Dr. Boswell said no but they can be added. Mayor Birkner asked Dr. Boswell to present construction plans, Dr. Boswell said he can give a presentation at the next Council meeting with the County's plans, which can be turned into final plans later. He stated he is meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> with Bergen County Engineering and will obtain the plans.

#### 4) Board of Education

Mayor Birkner announced there is a Board of Education budget meeting currently occurring. Many drastic cuts are being proposed by the Board of Education due to State cuts. Westwood Regional lost almost \$2.3 million for next year and will see the loss of many programs. In addition to cuts, the Board is looking at a significant increase in school taxes.

Mayor Birkner said these are very extensive cuts to a district that should be regarded as a model of efficient delivery of regional school services. He thinks the Governor should be looking at the way the administrative services are set up instead of cuts. Mayor Birkner suggested incentives for communities that model themselves after Westwood Regional.

# B) Engineer's Report

## 1) Bi-weekly Report

Dr. Boswell reviewed the biweekly report, a copy of which is attached.

#### 2) Pascack Brook Sewer Repair

Dr. Boswell stated that verbal approval for proceeding with the sewer pipe has been received from the DEP. The preconstruction meeting will be held in the next two weeks. Councilmember Grefrath asked the chances of a shovel in the ground on the sewer project prior to the next meeting. Dr. Boswell estimates another four weeks. Mayor Birkner asked about trout spawning. Dr. Boswell said 90% of the project will not be in the stream. A coffer dam will be built for the remaining portion to protect the waterway

#### 3) Westvale Park

Dr. Boswell explained that the Westvale Park bid required an amendment, which has pushed back the bid date three days. It does not affect anything else except the day bids are received.

Dr. Boswell announced that the 30 year clock started in 2001 because that is when the monitoring started. Reports show that contaminants are reducing. He doesn't think the full 30 years will even be necessary, since the discharge level will be below regulatory standards before the time is up. Council President Miller asked if the Borough still needs the landfill closure report. Dr. Boswell said yes, it is a condition of the permit to close landfill.

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# 4) Emerson Road Pump Station

Dr. Boswell met with DPW Superintendent Rick Woods this morning regarding the recent problem with the Emerson Road Pump Station. One pump may not have been exercised sufficiently. He has recommended a programming change to automatically exercise the pump. Dr. Boswell suggested either generator should operate either pump, but he wants a ruling from Mr. Huntington based on the consent order. The other problem is that the older generator is the first line generator, Dr. Boswell believes both generators should work both pumps,

#### 5) 2010 Road Paving

Dr. Boswell presented a color map of the road paving project history. Councilmember Waneck said people are interested in when their street will be paved, which is what is on the spreadsheet. She wants to post both on the website. Dr. Boswell wants dollar projections for next ten years in order to update the spreadsheet. Pavement life averages 15 years, so some streets are already 9 years into the allotted life span. Councilmember Waneck asked if the map includes County roads. Dr. Boswell said it includes DOT or Westwood-funded projects. Councilmember Waneck and Mayor Birkner would like to show county roads that have been paved. Councilmember Phayre asked when the 2010 road paving would begin. Mr. Hoffmann said after school closes.

#### C) Council Liaison & Committee Reports

#### 1) Health and Recreation:

#### a) Veterans' Park Revitalization Committee Report

Councilmember Quinn reported on the Veterans Park Revitalization Committee meeting with the Borough Planner. The park has been broken up into four quads, with concentration on the bandstand quad for walkways, benches, and garbage and recycling cans. The project is part of a grant with matching funds. The Committee knew that the Borough would be awarding the sprinkler bid on the consent agenda at this meeting, so they wanted to make sure the overall plan doesn't conflict with the sprinkler plan.

Councilmember Grefrath said that in the past benches and cans were difficult to determine from brochures. A bench is on display downstairs outside the Clerk's office for inspection. In the bandstand quad there will be ten of those benches and four garbage and recycling can combinations that match the bench. The Shade Tree Committee feels memorial benches would be better than memorial trees, since benches are longer lived. The plan would require losing two trees in order to install a 12-foot circle path of pavers around the bandstand. This might not be what the Committee wants to do, considering a tree was just lost in the park during the storm. Councilmember Waneck suggested have the path go around trees. Councilmember Grefrath said that is a possibility. Councilmember Quinn said the sprinklers should be completed by April 30. Councilmember Grefrath noted the garbage and recycling can costs will be covered by a

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Clean Communities grant. Councilmember Waneck asked when they will be installed. Mr. Hoffmann said after the irrigation is put in, before the summer concerts begin. Councilmember Sciara asked if the benches will be anchored in concrete. Mr. Hoffmann said yes.

## b) Recreation Update

The Easter Egg hunt is Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Veteran's Park.

## 2) Finance, Administration and Capital Projects:

#### a) S-458

Councilmember Grefrath introduced Borough Tax Assessor Barbara Potash, who discussed the impact Senate Bill 458 would have on the Borough should it be approved. The bill will bill will abolish the local Tax Assessor, Collector, Health Department, and Animal Control. Ms. Potash believes the financial and personnel impact on the Borough would be extreme. She explained that taxpayers would have to go to Hackensack to pay their taxes. The bill does not address how the municipality will be paid its tax money. The assumption is quarterly, and the Borough will lose the interest normally accrued. The Borough would also lose control over delinquent tax collection, which means the collection rate will decrease. Westwood will be lumped in with county-wide collection rates, which will affect the Borough's interest rates for borrowing.

There will be no Tax Assessor, and no provision for added assessments on building permits. Ms. Potash noted that Westwood has an outstanding track record on tax appeals. Once the bill is passed, Westwood will no longer have control over tax appeals. The County will hire tax attorneys who will decide on whether to settle and for how much. The Governing Body will have no say, nor will taxpayers.

Councilmember Waneck asked if the League of Municipalities is supporting this legislation. Ms. Potash stated that the League is against it, as well as the associations for Tax Assessors, Tax Collectors, and Registrars because of the financial impact and loss of one on one personal interaction for residents with someone who knows the municipality. Mr. Huntington said that aside from the loss of service and convenience, he believes taxes will rise far beyond the illusory savings in consolidating. Towns like Westwood who fight harder for taxes will see less vigilance, less tax collection, and an increase to taxes should this consolidation go through.

Councilmember Phayre mused that the County tax system will be overwhelmed from handling all 70 municipalities. Ms. Potash agreed. Councilmember Waneck pointed out that the bill originated out of counties that are very different from Bergen. Ms. Potash said Gloucester County bill currently being piloted is a totally different approach, with piloting for three years and then follow up study for three years. S-458 is vague legislation that is pushing through quickly. Councilmember Waneck asked where the district Senators stand. Ms. Potash said they are against it.

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Mr. Huntington said 98% of a municipality's income is through the Assessor and Collector. This bill will funnel a municipality's entire income stream through the County. Councilmember Phayre stated that the bill does not change the method of school payments. Mr. Huntington agreed. He explained that in the past there have been times when the Borough has had to borrow money to pay the school tax on time. Under this bill it will have to be done that way again. Councilmember Grefrath pointed out the loss of interest to the Borough. Ms. Potash said there are many financial impacts. She stated that the various associations will be having more meetings with elected officials to explain the issues and garner opposition.

#### b) Budget Update

Councilmember Grefrath stated that a line by line budget review by the Governing Body was held March 23<sup>rd</sup>. The current intention is to introduce the budget on April 13<sup>th</sup>. The Governing Body has requested the budget be held to a one percent increase, which equates to a \$130,000 increase in expenses, or an average \$27 increase on the municipal portion of a resident's taxes. Councilmember Grefrath pointed out several hurdles such as state aid that has been reduced by 20% over 2009, and a 20% rate increase in July from United Water. He said the budget committee is looking to preserve future services and funding capital. The Governing Body will meet one more time prior to the budget introduction to finish the line by line review.

# c) Shade Tree Committee Update

The shade tree inventory is ongoing. Councilmember Grefrath said the Shade Tree Committee is reviewing, adjusting and enhancing the selection of desirable trees for planting in the right of way.

## d) Recodification Update

The Governing Body was comfortable with revising the existing shopping cart legislation with the sample provided by General Code and recommended by the Construction Official. The were also comfortable with revising the snow removal legislation as recommended by the Construction Official and DPW Superintendent, based on a sample provided by General Code.

Pertaining to the noise ordinance, the Governing Body would like lawn equipment use to begin at 8:00 am on weekends.

## 3) Police and OEM:

# a) Stop Sign Review

Council President Miller reminded everyone that stop signs had been placed at certain intersections on a trial basis, with a pledge to monitor their effectiveness. The Police Department is recommending that some be removed, and one new location be tried.

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Councilmember Waneck noted that the stop sign at 7<sup>th</sup> and Clinton was one recommended for removal, but the residents she spoke with from that area felt it had had a desired affect and traffic had noticeably slowed down She would like to see it remain. Captain Durante said the sign had some benefits but didn't slow traffic as much as they had anticipated, nor did it keep people from using the street as a cut through. He is willing to leave the stop sign, but pointed out there is an issue of parking with a few residents. Mayor Birkner asked if the awkwardness of parking is a legal problem. Captain Durante said it could be, since vehicles can't park within 50 ft of the stop sign. Councilmember Waneck said Clinton to Mill felt safer because of the sign. Councilmember Sciara said while it didn't stop the traffic from cutting through it did slow traffic down, making the residents happy, so it would be better to leave the stop sign there. Councilmember Phayre suggested extending the trial period to get more feedback on the parking issue. He asked Captain Durante if the feedback he received was from residents or the Police Department. Captain Durante said the feedback was mostly police observation, with one resident on the parking concern.

Captain Durante said while he had hoped the stop sign on Repetti would fix the problems with cutting through, there no improvement whatsoever. That sign will be removed in the morning.

Mr. Huntington recommended all the stop signs be memorialized on one ordinance after the trail period for the new sign ends, rather than piecemeal.

#### **b)** Evidence Trailer Location

Council President Miller reviewed the need for a Police evidence trailer to consolidate evidence centrally and monitor it from headquarters. The intention to paint, landscape and make the trailer invisible as possible. It needs to be in close proximity to the building and monitored by camera. Councilmember Waneck said a trailer is a POD and will violate Borough ordinances. She suggested putting it right next to the Borough Hall and bricking around it. Mr. Hoffmann said that is not doable, since the Fire Official has specified the structure must be 10 feet away from the building. Mayor Birkner suggested a cinderblock foundation to avoid the POD definition, Councilmember Waneck said it would still be considered a POD. Councilmember Phayre suggested a more permanent structure, like a secured shed. Councilmember Waneck stated a temporary POD is permissible for 90 days while the Borough is working on a permanent solution. Captain Durante will look into sheds.

## c) Review of Police Dept. Amended Rules & Regulations

Council President Miller reported that the recruiting process was updated as per the conversation at the last meeting. Mr. Hoffmann has pointed out the Rules and Regulations do not address the use of cell phones for personal use, which is being updated. Mrs. Hughes commented that the proposed ordinance will update the codebook

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to bring it in line with the amended rules and regulations. She suggested the Labor Attorney review the ordinance prior to introduction. Councilmember Waneck asked if the 12 hour shift is contractual or part of the code. Council President Miller said it is actually a side letter to the contract.

# 4) Fire and Ambulance:

#### a) Census Update

As Census Liaison, Councilmember Sciara reminded everyone that it is a Constitutional requirement to complete the Census form. He is not particularly pleased about how the Census is being conducted. A help desk was established in the Borough Hall and Library, but then the Census Bureau cut back on the hours. Councilmember Sciara said the Census notice was not in Spanish at the Library, which he would like rectified. He has requested that Mrs. Hughes provide a flyer in Spanish for distribution at St. Andrew's during the Spanish mass. Mayor Birkner asked if anyone has taken advantage of the help desk. Mrs. Hughes said only a few people so far. Councilmember Waneck asked about the percentage of returns to date for the Census forms. Mrs. Hughes will check with the regional Census Bureau office. She reported that Census takers will be fully credentialed when they go door to door.

## b) Fire Department Update

Councilmember Sciara said the Fire Chief was concerned that fire hydrants were cut off during construction in the Borough without any notification. Councilmember Sciara asked Mr. Hoffmann to contact United Water. Captain Durante said that when the Police Department was notified about the work, he requested that businesses and residents be advised, but did not think of the Fire Department. Councilmember Sciara stated that the incident emphasizes the need to fix the pumper truck.

# 5) Public Properties:

# a) DPW Update

Councilmember Phayre reported that in the wake of the storm, the DPW is working to prioritize and clean up the emergency areas first.

Yard waste pickup will resume this week.

Councilmember Grefrath asked why the Borough doesn't sell downed Borough trees as firewood. Councilmember Phayre said labor was provided by prisoners through the County Sheriff's Department, who chipped the wood. Councilmember Waneck asked if the chips can be taken. Councilmember Phayre said yes. Mayor Birkner thanked the Sheriff's Department for their help.

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#### 6) Land Use: CW

#### a) Environmental Committee Update

Councilmember Waneck reported that the Environmental Committee has had three meetings. NJAEC attended the February meeting and recommended the Committee focus on 2-3 projects. The Committee is very keen on awareness and education. They will set up a table at Westwood Pride day.

Their second area of focus is alternative energy sources. One member attended solar seminar, which revealed that most Westwood locations are not good locations for solar panels. Large buildings with flat tops are the only prime candidates. Committee member Yaz Risbud may be able to get test equipment for a water turbine. The Committee is going to wait for the energy audit to pursue other ideas.

The third focus is Sustainable New Jersey. Councilmember Waneck would like to see the Borough qualify for Sustainable New Jersey this year. She discussed the need for and role of a Green Team advisory committee, which she recommends be a stand alone committee under the Governing Body and Administrator in order to encourage employee participation. Councilmember Waneck reviewed her proposal for establishing a Green Team

Council President Miller asked for a mission statement for the Environmental Committee and the Green Team to clarify the differences. Councilmember Waneck will work on it. Mayor Birkner asked if the Environmental Committee has a chair or secretary. Councilmember Waneck said Gregory Mountain is the secretary. At the next meeting they will undergo the process of selecting a chair.

# D) Attorney's Report

No report.

#### E) Administrator's / Clerk's Report

#### a) Personnel Manuel

Mr. Hoffmann advised that the JIF requires the personnel manual be adopted by May 10. Council President Miller asked if the Borough can continue to use what it has now. Mr. Hoffmann yes. Council President Miller said an employee handbook and personnel manual are different. Mr. Huntington said the insurance fund has a pro forma book, labeling aside, that is a series of policies that a municipality must have. Council President Miller said the difference is in communication style; one gives policy, the other explains why things are done. Councilmember Waneck commented that having a policy and manual is good practice but not always done. Council President Miller said it is up to the Governing Body which one to use. Councilmember Quinn asked if the policy and procedure is kept at the facility while the handbook is given to employees. Council President Miller said the handbook is public relations in some ways. Mr. Hoffmann said he took the JIF information and cross checked it with the Borough information. The Borough personnel manual is updated and restructured

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to make it clearer. This is a biannual update required by the JIF. Council President Miller suggested that some of the more generous policies might require review, such as sick days upon retirement. Mr. Hoffmann said there are several decision points in the memo from Mr. Wiss that accompanies the draft manual.

#### b) Vacate Portion of Chestnut Street

Mr. Hoffmann advised that based on a memo provided by the Tax Assessor on the requested vacation of Chestnut Street, he will contact the property owner.

## 8. Agenda/Public Forum:

Motion to open the Agenda/Public Forum: Councilmember Grefrath

Second: Councilmember Phayre

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the Affirmative.

<u>Larry Bucciarelli, 54-58 Jefferson Avenue</u> – noted that his building is the first major solar installation in the Borough, generating \$2200 worth of power since December. Mr. Bucciarelli encouraged the Governing Body to install solar power at Westvale Park if possible. He described the types of solar equipment installed in the various areas of his building. Councilmember Phayre asked if there is any down time when power is not generated. Mr. Bucciarelli said snow doesn't help. He will need to clean the solar panels after the pollen drops in the spring. Mr. Bucciarelli does not sell power back to PSE&G but immediately uses it.

<u>Frank Durante</u> – regarding traffic calming, because of roadway designs it is difficult to come up with improvements beyond stop signs. He may be suggesting something in near future, however. Councilmember Sciara suggested speed humps and bumps. Captain Durante said those are possible solutions, but pose problems with roadway cleanup, maintenance, and liability. However, something is needed. There will also be the cost issue. Captain Durante requested keeping an open mind with regards to changes to the intersections surrounding Broadway. Third and Washington has a definite impact on traffic in the area. He discussed changes that were made in the area of Park Avenue to aid Washington Avenue traffic.

Motion to close the public hearing: Councilmember Phayre

Second: Councilmember Quinn

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

Councilmember Phayre remembered that a Westwood Avenue business owner has noticed street lights are on the during day, which is a waste of energy. Mr. Hoffmann was asked to check into it.

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## 9. Presentation of Bills, Financial Reports and Resolutions:

Mayor Birkner advised that the following Resolutions would be enacted in one motion. Councilmembers who wished to remove any Resolution(s) to be voted upon separately, had the opportunity to do so at this time, and said Resolutions would be considered separately.

A resolution Authorizing Execution of Westvale Management Agreement with Revisions Through 3/16/10 was added to the Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Waneck requested the resolution Opposing United Water's Billing Tactics & Proposed Fire Hydrant Rate/Tax Increase and Authorize Award of Sprinkler Head Irrigation Contract be removed from the Consent Agenda.

## **Resolutions as Consent Agenda:**

Resolution #10 - 100: Bill List & Statement of Cash Resolution #10 - 101: Authorize Refund of Taxes

Resolution #10 - 102: Approval of Westvale Park Inspection Services by Boswell

Engineering

Resolution #10 - 103: Accept Resignation / Retirement of P.O. Andrea Brazofsky

Resolution #10 - 104: Authorize to Bid 2010 DOT Grant-Funded Road Resurfacing Project for Pascack Valley Cooperative Pricing System #107-PVCPS

Resolution #10 - 105: Authorize to Bid Shared Services #107-PVCPS

Resolution #10 - 106: Accept Resignation of P.O. Ray Caronia

Resolution #10 - 107: Authorize Repairs to Fire Department 1992 Mack Truck

Resolution #10 - 108: Approval of Transfer from Police Dept. to DPW

Resolution #10 - 109: Emergency Temporary Resolution – 2009 Temporary Budget

Resolution #10 - 110: Making Application to Local Finance Board

Resolution #10 - 111: Appointment to the Safety Committee

Resolution #10 - 112: Authorize Release of Performance Bond-Palisades Land Mgt.

Resolution #10 - 113: Raffle License#393-Community Hospice of Bergen County

 $Resolution \ \#10-114: \ Authorizing \ Execution \ of \ We stvale \ Management \ Agreement \ with$ 

Revisions Through 3/16/10

Resolution #10-115: Ambulance Corps Carnival

#### Motion to adopt resolutions #10-100 through #10-115: Councilmember Grefrath

Second: Councilmember Sciara

Roll Call: Councilmember Grefrath - Yes

Councilmember Phayre - Yes

Councilmember Quinn - Yes

Councilmember Sciara - Yes

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> Councilmember Waneck - Yes Council President Miller - Yes

# Resolution #10-116: Opposing United Water's Billing Tactics & Proposed Fire Hydrant Rate/Tax Increase

Councilmember Phayre reminded everyone that while BPU approves increases, expenses are becoming a problem with the budgetary process. Water increases are substantial. He suggested the Borough appeal directly in writing to the BPU on capping increases to reflect the state budget cap, copying the letter to the DLGS. Mr. Hoffmann said it would need to be done before their next meeting, Councilmember Phayre and Councilmember Grefrath will be the subcommittee to draft the letter.

# Motion to adopt resolution #10-116: Councilmember Grefrath

Second: Councilmember Sciara
Roll Call: Councilmember Grefrath - Yes
Councilmember Phayre - Yes
Councilmember Quinn - Yes
Councilmember Sciara - Yes
Councilmember Waneck - Yes
Council President Miller - Yes

#### Resolution Authorizing Award of Sprinkler Head Irrigation Contract

The Governing Body questioned the differences between the proposals received for the installation of the irrigation system at Veteran's Park. Mr. Hoffmann was directed to obtain standardized proposals from all three vendors that included clarification on the number of heads, closure of the system, inclusion of the library lawn, winterization and warranty. The resolution was pulled from consideration.

#### 10. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Sciara

Second: Councilmember Miller

Voice Vote: A voice vote was taken with all present voting in the affirmative.

The time was 10:30 pm.

Attest:

(signed) Karen Hughes Karen Hughes, RMC, Borough Clerk

Proofed by: Denise Holmes, Deputy Clerk